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Re:

Application of South Carolina Electric and Gas Company for Adjustments in the Company's Natural Gas Rate Schedules and Tariffs

Docket No.: 2005-113-G

Dear Charles:

For your docket, please find enclosed a copy of the Office of Regulatory Staff's First Continuing Data Request which was served on SCE&G. Also, please date stamp the extra copy and return it to me via the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Shannon Bowyer Hudson

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BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF S. C. PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2005-113-G

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's) IN RE:

Application For Increases In

Gas Rates And Charges

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DATA REQUEST

CATHERINE TAYLOR, BELTON T. ZEIGLER, PAIGE J. GOSSETT AND TO: MITCHELL WILLOUGHBY, ATTORNEYS FOR SOUTH CAROLINA **ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY:**

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-4-10, 58-4-50, and 58-4-55, as enacted by 2004 S.C. Acts 175, and 26 S.C. Code Regs. 103-853 (Supp. 2003), the Office of Regulatory Staff hereby serves the First Continuing Data Request upon South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (hereafter referred to as "SCE&G" or "the Company").

The Office of Regulatory Staff hereby requests, pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Regs. 103-853 (Supp. 2003), that you answer the following data requests in writing and under oath within ten (10) days after service, the same to be served upon the undersigned at the Office of Regulatory Staff, 1441 Main Street, Suite 300, Columbia, South Carolina, 29201. If you are unable to respond to any of the data requests, or part or parts thereof, please specify the reason for your inability to respond and state what other knowledge or information you have concerning the unanswered portion.

As used in these data requests, "identify" means, when asked to identify a person, to provide the full name, business title, address and telephone number. When asked to identify or provide a document, "identify" and "provide" means to provide a full and detailed description of the document. In lieu of providing a full and detailed description of a document, you may attach

to your responses a copy of the document and identify the person who has custody of it. When the word "document" is used herein, it means any written, printed, typed, graphic, photographic, or electronic matter of any kind or nature and includes, but is not limited to, statements, contracts, agreements, reports, opinions, graphs, books, records, letters, correspondence, notes, notebooks, minutes, diaries, memoranda, transcripts, photographs, pictures, photomicrographs, prints, negatives, motion pictures, sketches, drawings, publications, and tape recordings.

Wherever in this data request a masculine pronoun or possessive adjective appears, it refers to both males and females in accordance with traditional English usage.

IT IS THEREFORE REQUESTED:

- I. That all information requested below, unless otherwise specified, shall be limited to Company's South Carolina Natural Gas Retail Operations for the period under review in this docket.
- II. That all information shall be provided to the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff in the format requested.
- III. That all responses to the data requests below be labeled using the same numbers as used herein.
- IV. That the requested information be bound in 3-ring binders with numbered tabs between each question.
- V. That if information requested is found in other places or other exhibits, reference shall not be made to those; instead, reproduce and place in the Data Request in the appropriate numerical sequence.
- VI. That any inquiries or communications relating to questions concerning clarification of the data requested below should be directed to Jay Jashinsky or John W. Flitter, of the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff.
- VII. That this entire list of questions be reproduced and included in front of each set of responses.
- VIII. That each question be reproduced and placed in front of the response provided.

- IX. That the Company provide ten (10) paper copies of responses to the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff. In addition and if technically feasible, it is requested that the Company provide an electronic version of the responses.
- X. If the response to any data request is that the information requested is not currently available, please state when the information requested will be available.
- XI. That in addition to the signature and verification at the close of the Company's responses, the Company witness(es) or employee(s) or agent(s) responsible for the information contained in each response be indicated.
- XII. This Data Request shall be deemed to be continuing so as to require the Company to supplement or amend its responses as any additional information becomes available.
- XIII. For information requested herein where the information is kept, maintained, or stored using spreadsheets, please provide electronic versions of the spreadsheets, including the formulas used and embedded in the spreadsheet.

REQUESTS

- 1.1 Provide copies of any Company correspondence, request for data and responses, oral or written, from any other parties in this Docket.
- 1.2 Provide a copy of the Company's FERC Form 2 for the last two years.
- 1.3 Provide the number of customers at the beginning and the end of the test period by Rate Schedule.
- 1.4 Provide the net "unaccounted for" gas in dekatherms and as a percentage of total gas purchases for resale for the latest five (5) calendar year period ending December 31. Provide the net Company use gas in dekatherms and as a percentage of total gas purchases for resale for the latest five (5) calendar year period ending December 31.
- 1.5 Provide the study utilized by the Company to develop the 10 therm per month average for the billing months of June, July and August qualifying a residential customer for the proposed Residential Value Service rate.
- 1.6 Provide the marketing literature for the natural gas water heating program that was initiated in the late eighties when the program was approved through today.
- 1.7 Provide a complete explanation, including work papers used to determine all accounting and proforma adjustments.

- 1.8 Provide a detailed computation for the cost of gas included in the Company's application for each proposed rate.
- 1.9 Provide actual or estimates by month and by rate class (to include both firm and interruptible) sales volumes and mark-up revenue lost due to competitive fuels during the test period. (This number should include only customers who maintained an active account but switched to alternate fuels at periodic intervals.)
- 1.10 Provide a bill frequency analysis for each rate schedule reflecting gas sales by month for the test year.
- 1.11 Provide the most current fully allocated cost of service study on a regulatory per books and pro-forma adjusted basis.
- 1.12 Provide the mark-up in dollars and cents for each presently approved rate schedule and each proposed rate schedule.
- 1.13 Provide the names of all officers, their titles and each individual's separate salary and bonuses for the past five (5) fiscal years and for the beginning and end of the test year.
- 1.14 Provide for the test year:
 - a. The name of each officer whose salary and bonuses (shown separately) are allocated to the gas operations of the Company, total salary and bonuses (shown separately) of each officer, and the amount of each salary and bonuses (shown separately) allocated, including a complete explanation to support each allocation;
 - b. Please provide a complete description of each bonus program available to officers and other employees.
- 1.15 Provide the cost study used to develop any increases or changes in facility charges in each rate schedule.
- 1.16 Provide a list of customer complaints received for the most recent three (3) calendar years. This list should identify the nature of the complaints (service, billing, gas leaks, etc.,) and complaints should be totaled for each year, by identity of the complaints, and grand totals.
- 1.17 Provide a list of any changes and reasons for the changes on rate schedules and General Terms and Conditions in this filing other than the changes in rates.

- 1.18 Provide a listing of Uncollectibles for gas operations (dollars) by customer class for the most recent five (5) fiscal years and for the test period.
- 1.19 Provide a list of any new or expanded industrial load which was added to the system during the test period and where such load was not annualized. The list should identify the industrial customer, whether firm or interruptible, and show sales volumes by month.
- 1.20 Provide a comparison showing costs to customers, using present and proposed gas rates. This comparison should be based on the cost of gas applicable to billing rates effective November 1, 2004.
- 1.21 Provide the number of customers served under each present Rate Schedule, the number of bills rendered for each Rate Schedule, and the sales volume for each Rate Schedule and the per book revenues by month for the test period.
- 1.22 Provide tabulation, using approved and proposed rates, showing rates of return by rate schedule and classes of gas service based on the test year.
- 1.23 Provide the present margin and facilities revenue from each rate schedule and the additional margin and facilities revenue to be derived from the proposed rates for the test year.
- 1.24 Identify on a quantitative and/or qualitative basis the benefits to the ratepayers and to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company from the development and implementation of each DSM program in South Carolina.
- 1.25 Provide a line graph comparison chart for the past five (5) years comparing SCE&G's interruptible rates by category of service with the monthly recalculated system supply commodity cost of gas, and the average prices of no. 2 fuel oil/per mmbtu, no. 6 fuel oil/per mmbtu, and propane/per mmbtu used by industrial customers in the Company's South Carolina service areas. The graph should depict the prices on a monthly basis for each year.
- 1.26 During the test year provide the sales volumes and revenue lost by curtailment category resulting from supplier/transportation curtailments.
- 1.27 Please provide the top ten (10) stockholders of SCANA Common Stock and the number of shares held by each.
- 1.28 Please provide the annual dividend paid per Common share of SCANA for each of the last five (5) years. What has been the percentage increase in dividend paid per Common share over the last five (5) years?

- 1.29 Please provide the closing price of SCANA stock for each month over the last five (5) years.
- 1.30 Please provide the latest bond ratings by the major rating agencies and the forecasted financial direction indicated by each agency.

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